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‘ALL OTHERS’ CONTINUES TRADITIONAL RUN AS FAVORITE IN POOL 2 OF THE KENTUCKY DERBY FUTURE WAGER; CHAMP CLASSIC EMPIRE IS 5-1 SECOND CHOICE

Unbeatens Mastery, McCracken Are Close Co-Second Choices In Three-Day Futures Pool

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Sunday, Jan. 29, 2017) – John C. Oxley’s champion **Classic Empire (#3)** edged unbeaten rising stars **Mastery (#12)** and **McCraken (#14)** to be the favored individual contender for the 143rd Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (Grade I), but the ever-popular **Mutuel Field (#24)**, or “All Others,” continued its traditional run as the betting favorite in the second of four pools of **Churchill Downs’ 2017 Kentucky Derby Future Wager** (“KDFW”), which completed its three-day run on Sunday, Jan. 29.

The Mutuel Field, which includes all 3-year-old Thoroughbreds other than the 23 individual horses on the roster of 24 betting interests, closed as the 5-2 fan’s choice in the Derby Futures Pool when betting ceased Sunday at 6 p.m. (EST). The Mutuel Field has been favored in each of the first Kentucky Derby Future Wager pools of the calendar year since the pari-mutuel future bet was introduced in 1999.

John C. Oxley’s Classic Empire, the unanimous selection as Eclipse Award champion 2-year-old of 2016 and winner of the \$2 million Sentient Jet Breeders’ Cup Juvenile (GI) at Santa Anita, was the favored individual 3-year-old throughout the three days of betting. The **Mark Casse** trainee has won four of his five career starts and earned \$1,485,920.

A pair of unbeatens finished in virtual dead-heat for the position as overall third choice and second choice among individual horses. **Cheyenne Stables LLC’s Mastery (#12, 9-1)** and **Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC’s McCracken (#13, 9-1)** closed as the co-third choices with fewer than \$100 in bets separating the duo. A total of \$18,160 was wagered on the **Bob Baffert**-trained Mastery, while \$18,105 was bet on trainer **Ian Wilkes’** McCracken.

A total of \$330,042 was wagered in Pool 2, including \$102,162 in exacta wagering.

The Kentucky Derby Future Wager provides racing fans with the opportunity to wager on contenders for the Kentucky Derby at odds that could be more attractive than those available on the day of America’s greatest race. Payouts in the win and exacta wagering in Pool 2 were determined by the odds in place at Sunday’s conclusion of wagering.

The Future Wager offers \$2 minimum win wagering on 24 betting interests that include 23 individual horses and the Mutuel Field, which includes all 3-year-old Thoroughbreds other than the individual wagering interests in a respective pool. Each pool also offers \$2 exacta wagering on the 24 wagering interests, with the latter also available in \$1 minimum increments in boxes and other multiple number configurations.

Other betting interests attracting solid support in KDFW Pool 2 were the Baffert-trained **American Anthem (#1, 15-1)**, Remsen (GII) winner **Mo Town (#14, 15-1)** and Sham (GIII) and FrontRunner (GI) winner **Gormley (#7, 19-1)**.

Real time odds on the Kentucky Derby Future Wager and more information on the 143rd running of the Kentucky Derby is available online at www.KentuckyDerby.com. The third of four 2017 Kentucky Derby Future Wager pools is scheduled for Feb. 24-26.

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2017 Kentucky Derby Future Wager Pool 2 FINAL ODDS & WILL PAYS

Friday, Jan. 27-Sunday, Jan. 29

#	Wagering Interest	Trainer	Morning Line Odds	FINAL odds	\$ Will Pay
1	American Anthem*	Bob Baffert	15-1	15-1	\$33.60
2	Battalion Runner*	Todd Pletcher	20-1	22-1	\$47.60
3	Classic Empire	Mark Casse	5-1	5-1	\$12.40
4	El Areeb*	Cathal Lynch	50-1	32-1	\$66.20
5	Fact Finding	Todd Pletcher	30-1	39-1	\$81.00
6	Faja*	Todd Pletcher	50-1	56-1	\$114.20
7	Gormley	John Shirreffs	15-1	19-1	\$41.60
8	Guest Suite* (g)	Neil Howard	50-1	31-1	\$64.20
9	Gunnevera	Antonio Sano	50-1	24-1	\$50.00
10	Irish War Cry	Graham Motion	30-1	26-1	\$54.00
11	Lookin At Lee	Steve Asmussen	30-1	37-1	\$77.20
12	Mastery	Bob Baffert	6-1	9-1	\$20.60
13	McCraken	Ian Wilkes	10-1	9-1	\$20.60
14	Mo Town	Anthony Dutrow	20-1	15-1	\$33.60
15	Mont Saint Legame (JPN)*	Koji Maki	50-1	134-1	\$271.80
16	No Dozing	Arnaud Delacour	50-1	38-1	\$79.40
17	Petrov*	Ron Moquett	50-1	109-1	\$221.00
18	Practical Joke	Chad Brown	20-1	20-1	\$43.60
19	Sonic Mule*	Todd Pletcher	50-1	80-1	\$163.20
20	State of Honor*	Mark Casse	50-1	175-1	\$352.40
21	Uncontested	Wayne Catalano	20-1	25-1	\$52.20
22	Untrapped*	Steve Asmussen	50-1	105-1	\$213.80
23	Wild Shot	Rusty Arnold	50-1	92-1	\$187.20
24	Mutuel Field (All Others)		8/5	5-2	\$7.00
Pool 2 Total Wagering: \$330,042 ... \$2 Win Wagering: \$227,880... Exacta Wagering: \$102,162 Morning Line Odds by Mike Battaglia * - new wagering interest in KDFW Pool 2 (g) - gelding					

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